# Prospective Parent Information 2023 – 2024



#### **Our Mission Statement**

We provide an inclusive, positive environment in which we nurture and empower our children to develop life-long learning skills. This enables them to grow into reflective, successful and well-rounded individuals in our global community.

### Welcome

Time for a tour!

We're going to split into groups

Your tour guides will be House Captains from Year 6

Feel free to ask your tour guides any questions!

## Who's Who?

Mr. Usher

**Head Teacher** 





Mrs. Liddiard

**Inclusion Lead** 







Mrs. Edwards

Nurture Lead and Family Support

### **Our Values**

#### We help our children to become:











# What can we offer your child?

- We offer a welcoming, safe and inclusive learning environment that will enable our pupils to become responsible, respectful citizens and lifelong learners.
- We inspire and challenge all children so that they develop a love of learning and achieve their full potential.
- We provide opportunities that are relevant to the children's needs both now and in the future.
- We encourage all our children to be the best that they can be.

# We are a GOOD school, continuously striving for better!

Pupils are warm, friendly and courteous. They show kindness to visitors, staff and each other.

Pupils feel safe as everyone looks out for each other.



Emmbrook Junior School pupils speak with pride as they describe their school. They are appreciative of being here because they know they are part of something special.

Staff recognise how much pupils can achieve. These high expectations are met by pupils who behave and achieve well.

## Inclusion

- Inclusive culture at the school we are ALL special
- Challenge for <u>all</u> children
- Equity not equality
- Provide scaffold and support through quality first teaching so ALL children can achieve
- Interventions
- Individual Learning Plans for children with SEND (ILPs)
- Educational Health Care Plans (EHCPs)
- Nurture and Well-Being
- Total Communication Base

### Behaviour

- High expectations of behaviour in and out of the classroom
- Golden Rules
- Respecting and valuing each other is key
- Reflective & restorative approach to behaviour management
- "Caught doing the right thing' tokens
- House Points
- Celebration assemblies

# How will we help your child develop their mathematical skills?

Specific teaching of times tables

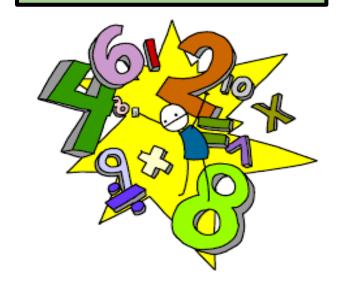
**Arithmetic** 

Concrete, Pictorial, Abstract

Scaffold and challenge

Reasoning and **Problem Solving** 

Daily POWER MATHS
Lessons



High quality textbooks and workbooks

**Modelling** 

**Think Pair Share** 

Use of manipulatives and resources

**Celebrate mistakes** 

Maths Mop-Ups – support





# How will we help your child develop their writing skills?

Writing for an audience and clear purpose

Proof reading and editing

Three-week units tightly linked to National Curriculum

Writing every day

Spelling Lessons – strategies, rules, patterns & exceptions



Modelling

Cross Curricular
Writing
Opportunities

**SPaG** 

**Handwriting focus** 

High quality examples



# How will we help your child develop their reading skills?

Daily Reading Lessons

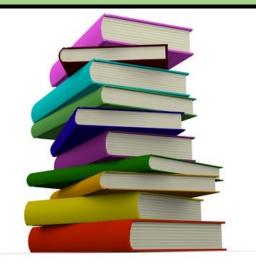
Develop reading strategies

Comprehension

Vocabulary

Promote a love of reading

Cross-curricular reading opportunities



**Shared reading** 

**Accelerated Reader** 

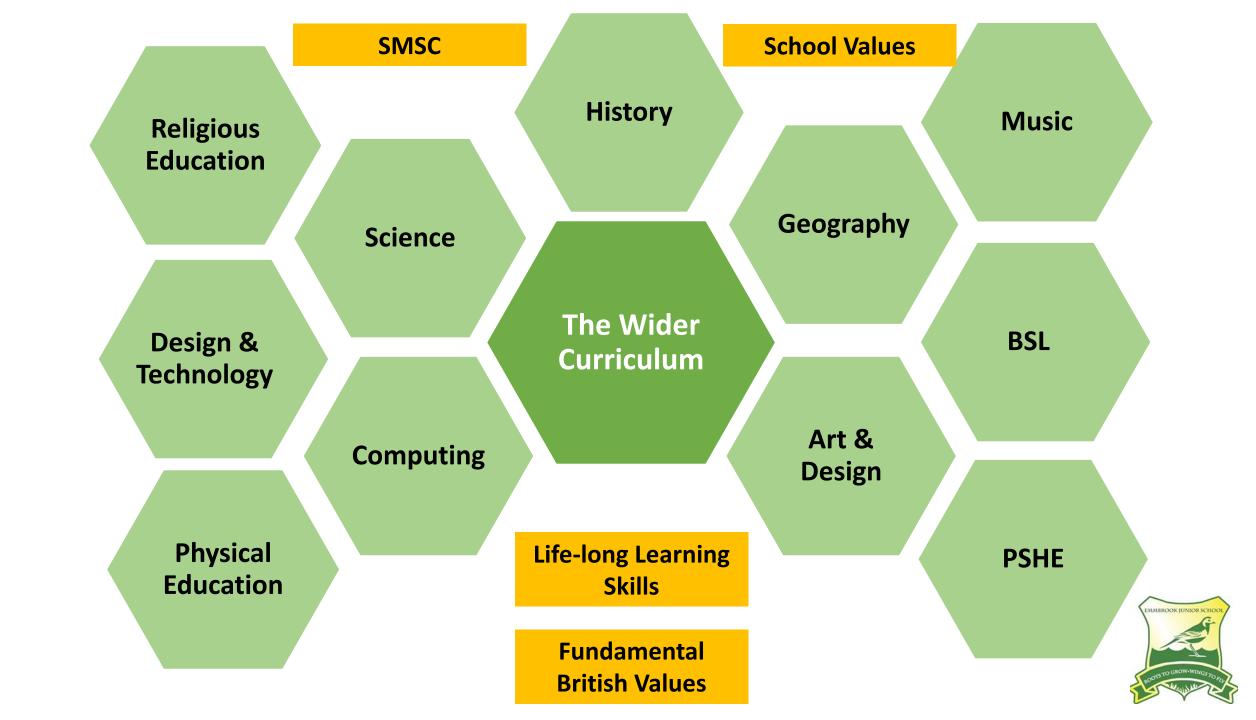
**Reading aloud** 

Learn to use the library

Exposure to a wide range of books

Read toby teacher





## A flavour of our exciting curriculum units

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Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Science	Science	Science	Science
Push & Pull	Off the Grid	Stargazers	Blood Heart
Rocks and Relics	Turn it Up	Mix it up	Let there be more light
Predator	Changing State	Properties and Changes of	Switch it on
Let there be light	Burps, Bottoms and Bile	Materials	Evolve and Adapt
Under the ground	Circuit Creators	The Circle of Life	Sustainable me
Let it grow!	Under the Sea	Plastic Peril	
		Scream Machine	History
History	History		A child's War
Tribal Tales	I am warrior	History	Magnificent Mayans
Discovering Emmbrook	The changing face of Wokingham	Off with her head	
Groovy Greeks	Traders and Raiders	Pharaohs	Geography
		Uncovering Tudor Wokingham	Our changing world
Geography	Geography		Frozen Kingdom
Tremors	Interconnected world	Geography	
Flow	Road Trip USA	Tremors	
One planet, our world	Blue Abyss	Flow	MANOR ADVENTURE (5 days)
		One planet, our world	SUMMER PRODUCTION
	CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION		

## **Home Learning**

Our expectations are as follows:

- Reading at least five times a week
- Targeted spelling words and linked activities
- Multiplication tables Times Tables Rock Stars
- **SPAG** (Spelling, punctuation and grammar) task
- **❖ Termly Project grid homework**





#### **Active Movement**

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- Physical activity promotes well-being and aids learning
- Physical activity is integrated into daily routines
- Many opportunities to stand up and move during lessons
- We help to build good habits for the rest of their lives
- Daily Mile
- We encourage walking / scooting / cycling to school
- Participation in a variety of sports



### **Extra-Curricular Activities**

In the past, we have offered...

#### After school clubs

- Netball
- Gardening
- Cricket
- Football
- Choir
- Athletics
- Sugar Craft
- Drama
- Cross Country

#### **Lunch-time Clubs**

- Chess
- Lego
- Arts and Craft

#### Music

- Piano
- Guitar
- Rock Steady

Clubs change termly

## **Wrap Around Care**

#### **Funtastic Kids at The Willows**

- Before school from 7:30am
- After school until 6:00pm
- Based at the bungalow on our school grounds
- Run by Funtastic Kids
- Children from both schools welcome
- Competitive rates
- Easy online regular and ad-hoc bookings



# The Emmbrook Community

- Excellent links to Emmbrook Infant School & The Emmbrook Secondary
- Parents' Forum
- Joint EJS and EIS PTA
- Parent Volunteers
- Strong working relationship with colleagues from local Junior and Primary schools.
- Online community Twitter, Website





### The Circle Trust

- We joined The Circle Trust in July 2023.
- The Circle Trust is a local multi-academy Trust based in Wokingham.
- Other schools who are currently part of The Circle Trust include: Nine Mile Ride Primary School, St Crispin's Secondary School, Shinfield Infant and Nursery School, Westende Junior School, Wescott Infant School and The Emmbrook Secondary School.
- We have a unique school identity and ethos.
- This does not affect the school application process.

## Our door is always open...

- Exhibitions and celebrations
- Drop-in sessions for parents & carers
- Parents' Consultations
- Timely communication between teachers and parents
- Staff on gate in the morning
- Teachers on playground at the end of the day

# **Transition and Support**

- Well structured transition in Summer Term from feeder infant school
- New Year 3s visit us in the Summer term
- Detailed handover from Year 2 class teacher for each child
- Key information gets passed on and acted upon
- Resilience building
- Family support and nurture





For more information, please email us at admin@emmbrook-jun.wokingham.sch.uk